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Hi Xochitl,

Can you attend this call?

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From: Cassy Horton <chorton@ccsa.org>
Date: Thu, Feb 21, 2019 at 8:10 PM
Subject: <Please RSVP> Member Call re Charter Inclusion in LAUSD Parcel Tax, BD 5 Rock the Vote Event, and More!
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Los Angeles Charter Leaders,

I am writing to invite you to a member call next Tuesday, March 26 from 5:30pm-6:30pm for updates regarding charter inclusion in a potential L.A. Unified parcel tax, and to share important information with you regarding the current Los Angeles charter landscape, including 2020 charter renewals, growth, and Board District 5 non-partisan information. Please email Jason Rudolph to RSVP for the member call.

To begin that conversation, I am sharing initial information below. Please mark your calendars for the dates flagged in red, and please reply to the appropriate LA RA team member to take action on items highlighted in yellow.

Thanks,

Cassy

Ensuring Equitable Charter Inclusion in Likely L.A. Unified Parcel Tax
On Tuesday, February 19 Superintendent Beutner and his team notified the L.A. Unified board of his intent to bring a plan for a parcel tax forward during the Tuesday, February 26 Committee of the Whole meeting. District leadership and most board members have publicly articulated their intent to include charter schools in the parcel tax proposal; however, we have seen time again across the state and with Measure Q in Los Angeles that how charter schools are included matters just as much as intent when it comes to securing and protecting equitable access to resources. We are working quickly to ensure that the District is aware of the necessary language and placement of language for a ballot measure and resolution to sufficiently protect charter inclusion and allocation of funds. Until we have clarity on those specifics, it will be important that the charter community stay aligned and prepared to advocate for appropriate inclusion if needed. Our unified voice

must be one that calls for equity of resources and funds for all public school students.

Mark Your Calendar:

- * Committee of the Whole report on a possible parcel tax: Tuesday, February 26
- * Likely Parcel Tax Resolution Vote: Tuesday, March 5

Take Action:

- * Email Jason Rudolph if you or representatives from your school community are able to attend either of the meetings above, and would be interested in advocating for equitable charter inclusion.

Charter Community Rock the Vote Event on Saturday, March 2 for Board District 5
On Tuesday, March 5 voters in LA Unified's board district 5 will head to the polls to cast their ballot in a special election to fill that board seat. Voter turnout is critical in this election, and any work we can do to encourage our school communities to voting and civic engagement work will make all the District in a run-off and future elections. That's why we invite you to join us for one of two volunteer shifts that day. Join families, parents, students, community organizations, and elected officials as we work together as a united community who cares about kids to let voters in the Southeast Cities know that there is an important election coming up.

Mark Your Calendar:

- * Charter Community Rocks the Vote in BD 5 (Non-Partisan Event)
- * Alta Public Schools, Southeast LA, RSVP for address
- * Saturday, March 2
- * 10am-1pm or 2pm-5pm

Take Action:

- * We will share an event flyer, social media posts, and a parent and staff email for you to distribute promoting the event tomorrow.
- * Please email Chris Copolillo to RSVP for one of the two shifts.
- * Our team will be reaching out to you on Monday to provide you with more event details, and to see who from your friends, family, and school community can join us.

Let Us Know if You're Growing

Coming out of the first few weeks in January, are working quickly and strategically to ensure we have the information and alignment necessary to support new high-quality charter petitions within the L.A. region. We are carefully monitoring upcoming changes to the County board of education, and are prepared to work collectively to push back against anti-charter legislation from Sacramento that may threaten local authorizing policy. In order to coordinate these efforts, we must know if you are planning to submit a new charter petition or material revision for growth in 2019.

Take Action:

- * Email Josue Cofresi to share any existing growth plans or questions about growth by next Wednesday, February 27 so we can work to quickly align resources, supports and strategy LA-county wide.

Confirm Your 2020-21 Charter Renewal Status

It's time to begin planning for your 2020-2021 charter renewals. We anticipate that shifts in the local and statewide political environment could make these renewals more challenging than ever. It will be important that we submit our renewal petitions early and together, no later than September 2019 to ensure that you have the time, support, and coordination to best protect your students and families.

Mark Your Calendar:

- * Save the date. We will be sending out an invitation shortly for our annual renewal

workshop, which will take place in early April.

Take Action:

- * Review the attached list of schools we expect to be up for renewal.
- * Email Keith Dell'Aquila if there are any mistakes regarding your schools' inclusion or exclusion.
- * Email Keith Dell'Aquila to let him know if you received a "Renewal Letter" from the CSD.
- * Be on the look-out for an email from your LA RA team member to set up time at conference or in March to talk about your renewal one-on-one.

Attend CCSA's Los Angeles Regional Meeting on Monday, March 11 from 4:00pm-5:15pm. Don't miss our Los Angeles Regional Meeting at CCSA's annual conference. The meeting will take place just days after the primary election for the board district 5 race, and will be an important opportunity for our community to reflect, plan, and align on important collective work for the rest of this year. Wine and snacks provided!

Mark Your Calendar:

- * Monday, March 11 from 4:00pm-5:15pm @ the Sacramento Convention Center, room forthcoming

Plan Now for Upcoming Legislative Advocacy in Sacramento

With shifts in Sacramento, we know this legislative cycle will be the most challenging we've seen in years. It's time to start planning so our community is ready to push back against harmful anti-charter legislative threats.

Take Action:

- * Email Keith Dell'Aquila with the name of the point person on your team who should be notified or cc'd on communication regarding legislative threats and can work quickly to sign letters of opposition on harmful bills.

ApplyLA Charter Enrollment Platform Open for Year 2 Signup

ApplyLA, the online application system that makes it easy for Los Angeles families to apply to multiple charter public schools on a single website, is opening the platform to all charter public schools in Los Angeles that wish to join. To-date ApplyLA has helped over 6,000 families submit more than 10,000 applications to 31 schools using a single, common application.

Take Action:

- * To express interest in joining the platform, please fill out this form before 3/15, and read this summary for more information. This effort is supported by Great Public Schools Now.

Alert CCSA of PRAs

Over the past few weeks, we have been made aware of an uptick in various PRAs to Los Angeles charter public schools. We are working to provide support and resources in response to these PRAs.

Take Action:

- * Email Jason Rudolph to set up time to discuss any events, instances, or concerns.

If you have thoughts, questions or concerns, please let us know.

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